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JOHN PETTY: My name is John Petty, J-o-h-n

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1 P-e-t-t-y. I'm an associate professor of German at the
2 University of Nevada, Reno, and I'm not here to represent
3 the university because they have a lab there that's
4 studying the possibility of putting Yucca Mountain into
5 utility.

6 I'm ashamed to say this is my first public
7 meeting, but I've been chased by nuclear energy
8 throughout my career as a German student. I was in
9 Germany when they built Gorlaven, which is where they
10 buried most of the nuclear waste in Germany, which used
11 to be a beautiful place, lots of trees. I passed through
12 it many times.

13 And then I got my Ph.D. in St. Louis, and
14 they slapped Three Mile Island two blocks away from me
15 for two and a half years. We tried to stop that, but it
16 only cost them \$100 to take it through St. Louis. John
17 Ashcroft was also the governor at the time, so that might
18 say something.

19 What I think is we should bury it, and we
20 should bury it in the CEOs' backyards.